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The dates suggested by the Chinese side in the note passed on August 17 are not now convenient for the U. S. side because of impending change in U. S. Government organization with which the Chinese side is now undoubtedly familiar.

However, Dr. Kissinger would consider, especially in light of these changes, an exchange of views with the Chinese side highly desirable. The best time for Dr. Kissinger to visit China would be for any three-day period between October 21 and October 29. If this is inconvenient or if the Chinese side considers an earlier meeting desirable, Dr. Kissinger could visit the People's Republic of China from October 3 through October 6.

Dr. Kissinger would appreciate the views of the Chinese side on the specific dates suggested.

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August 21, 1973

TO: DICK KENNEDY

FROM: BRENT SCOWCROFT 

Please have Dick Solomon deliver the attached note to the
Chinese. No accompanying comment necessary.

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